Appointment of one Mr. Achyuta Menon in the Huzur Secretariat.

339. Mr. George Chakyamuri.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether one Mr. Achyuta Menon was newly appointed in the Huzur Secretariat recently; by whom was this appointment made;

(2) is he appointed permanently or as an acting hand;

(3) in which grade is he appointed and what is the starting salary he is given;

(4) is it a fact that he is given the maximum of the grade;

(5) what are his special qualifications to deserve such preferential treatment;

(6) (a) is it a fact that at the time of his appointment there were some thrown out hands who had acted on previous occasions;

(b) who are they and what is the length of service each had put in;

(7) have not the claims of these thrown out hands been overlooked by this appointment;

(8) has this appointment of Mr. Achyuta Menon affected in any way the just claims of some of the permanent and acting hands in the Huzur Secretariat;

(9) if the answer is in the affirmative, how many have been affected; what are the names of those clerks adversely affected and the length of service each has put in;

(10) is not the University qualification of those adversely affected by this appointment the same as that of this Achyuta Menon;

(11) (a) when was this Achyuta Menon appointed;

(b) was any acting hand thrown out two or three days before this appointment

(c) is it not a fact that the thrown out hand referred to in (b) above is an Ezhuva graduate (first class) who had put in nearly 1½ years' service?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(1) Yes; by the Diwan.

(2) He is now an acting hand.

(3) In the Rs. 25—40 grade drawing the maximum.

(4) Vide answer to sub-division (3).

(5) He was a permanent employee in the British service on a pay of Rs 35—60 drawing Rs. 48—8—0.

(6) (a) Yes.

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(b) (i) P. K. Narayanan—about 1½ years.
(ii) K. Velayudhan—less than one year.
(iii) P. Narayanaswami Ayyar—less than one year.
(iv) T. K. Ckakkunni—less than one year

(7) Yes; to some extent.
(8) To some extent.
(9) Five; K. I. Gangadharan—about two years.
N. I. Joseph—do
C. K. Ramachandran—nearly twa years.
N. K. Narayanan— do
A. M. Neelakanta Chakyar—do

(10) Mr. Achyuta Menon is a graduate of the Madras University with Account Departmental test.

(11) (a) On 28th Dhanu 1108.
(b) Yes.
(c) He is an Ezhuva graduate who had put in nearly 1½ years' service. Government have not verified his rank.

Invitees for the lunch and dinner functions held on the occasion of the visit of the Hon'ble Sir Joseph Bhore.

340. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) how many of those invited for the lunch and dinner functions held on the occasion of the visit of the Hon'ble Sir Joseph Bhore were Europeans and how many were Indians;

(b) what was the criterion adopted in the selection of the guests (1) in the case of Europeans and (2) in the case of Indians;

(c) how many of the invitees are residents of the Cochin State and how many are residents outside the State;

(d) the names of non-officials invited to lunch and dinner from (i) outside the State and (ii) inside the State;

(e) of the above persons invited, the names of those who are paying taxes to the Cochin State and the amount of tax which each of them pays to the State or Municipalities in the State?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Those invited—

	Europeans.	Indians.
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(b) In the case of Europeans resident in British Cochin, selection was made from amongst the seniors who were in town during the Christmas week. In the case of others, the criterion

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